President: Moved and seconded that in the title to the Bill after the words "dying intestate" add the words "or who died intestate".

The amendment was put to the House and passed.

President: The question now is whether this short title, as amended, do form part of the Bill.

The motion was put to the House and passed.

President: What do you say now, Mr. Narayana Aiyar?

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: It may be passed and sent back to the lower House.

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: Mr. Piraviperumal Pillai is in charge of the Bill. He must make a motion.

President: Have you got anything to say, Mr. Piraviperumal Pillai?

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai: I request that the Bill be passed into law.

President: To-day?

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai: As early as possible.

President: Is there any objection?

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: I would request you, Sir, to ask Mr. Ramakrishna Pillai who had something to say.

President: Yes; have you got any amendment to propose, Mr. Ramakrishna Pillai?

Mr. N. Ramakrishna Pillai: I may add in Clause 3, sub-clause (*e*) the words "affect any statute or custom having the force of law" after the word "law".

President: Now the Bill stands over so that we may consider any further amendments in its later stage. It is not wise to reconsider the Bill particularly when at the second reading of the Bill some important amendments have been made. The objections were taken when these amendments were being moved with the intention that the Bill according to its framer was being affected and that the provisions are travelling far ahead of similar provisions in British India. In view of that fact, I think the President will be right in saying that the Bill may be further cured in its third reading.

AMENDMENT OF STANDING ORDERS

Mr. E. P. Varghese: Sir, I have the honour to present before this House the report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the amendment to Standing Order No. 12 of the Sri Chitra State Council Standing Orders and I move that the report may be taken up for consideration.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: I beg to second the motion.

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President : Moved and seconded that the report of the Select Committee for the amendment of Standing Order No. 12 be taken into consideration.

The motion was put to the House and passed.

Mr. E. P. Varghese : I move that the amendment be passed.

Mr. A. N. Visvanatha Pillai : I second it.

President : Moved and seconded that the amendment be passed. The amendment reads thus :—

> " Questions which have not been disallowed shall be numbered and printed and copies thereof made available to every member as soon as may be. The numbers of the questions to be answered shall be included in the list of business for the day and printed copies of such questions and their answers shall be laid on the table half an hour before the sitting commences. "

The question I have to put is whether that standing order be passed.

The amendment was put to the House and passed.

THE CHRISTIAN SUCCESSION REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Mr. J. John Kattakayam : കേരളത്തിലെ ഒരു പ്രധാന സമുദായമായ തിരുവിതാംകൂറിലെ ക്രൈസ്തവസമുദായത്തിന് ഏറ്റവും ആവശ്യമായ ഒരു ബിൽ അവതരിപ്പിക്കുകയെന്നുള്ളതാണ് എന്റെ ഉദ്ദേശം.

Mr. M. Govindan (*Nominated*) : A point of order, Sir. There are two Christian Succession Regulation (Amendment) Bills. These two Bills are on the same subject. Now these two bills are at cross purposes. If Mr. E.P. Varghese's Bill is taken into consideration and the principle approved, there will be no necessity for Mr. Kattakayam's Bill. Because the one contemplates—Mr. Varghese's Bill—that *Stridhanam* may be done away with and a share may be given to the daughter. But in the case of Mr. Kattakayam's Bill it contemplates to add one more item to the *Stridhanam* which will disable the daughter from claiming a share. So, I submit that Mr. Varghese's Bill may be first taken up for consideration.

President : So far as the convenience of the distribution is concerned, I have not the least doubt that Mr. Varghese's Bill would fair better among the members for the discussion of the question. But in as much as the agenda has already been prepared and as I do not see very much material objection to Mr. Kattakayam's Bill being taken up at once and remembering also the fact that the frequency with which the Bill has been received on the floor of this House and the priority of arrangement already made in the agenda, I think I will give Mr. Kattakayam full liberty either to move his Bill or withdraw it.

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